2000-2001 Livestock & Dairy Summary

CATTLE

All cattle inventory as of January 1, 2001 was 400,000 head, down 20,000 head or 5 percent from the January 1, 2000 inventory. The inventory value for cattle was estimated at \$248.0 million, up 5 percent from the 1999 value of \$235.2 million. Value per head averaged \$620, up \$60 from 1999. The 2000 calf crop was 195,000 head, down 5,000 head or 2 percent from 1999. All cows that have calved, at 210,000 head, was down 10,000 head from 1999. Beef production for 2000 totaled 125.4 million pounds liveweight, up 3 percent from the 1999 production of 121.6 million pounds. Marketings totaled 144.9 million pounds, down 1 percent from the 1999 production of 146.5 million pounds. The average price per hundredweight was \$59.10 for cattle and \$87.50 for calves, compared to \$46.30 and \$74.70 respectively in 1999. Value of production increased 27 percent from the \$61.6 million in 1999 to \$78.2 million in 1999. The gross income, including home consumption, totaled \$97.9 million, an increase of 24 percent from the 1999 value of \$79.0 million.

MILK

The average number of dairy cows in West Virginia during 2000 was 17,000 head, down 1,000 head from 1999. The total milk produced was 265 million pounds, down from the 275 million in 1999. The milk used on farms totaled 3 million pounds, unchanged from 1999. There were 262 million pounds marketed, down from the 272 million pounds in 1999. Cash receipts from the milk marketed totaled \$34.8 million, down from the \$41.3 million in 1999. The gross producer income, including home consumption, totaled \$35.0 million, down from the \$41.5 million in 1999.

SHEEP AND LAMBS

Sheep and lamb inventory on January 1, 2001, was estimated at a record low 35,000 head, down 2,000 head from the previous year. The inventory value, at \$3.4 million, was 4 percent below the 1999 value of \$3.5 million. Value per head averaged \$96.00, up \$1 from the previous year. The 2000 lamb crop totaled a record low 34,000 head, down 2,000 head from last year. Sheep and lamb production for 2000 totaled 3.3 million pounds, up 4 percent from the 1999 production. The average price per hundredweight was \$31.30 for sheep and \$86.20 for lambs, compared to \$24.60 and \$72.80 respectively in 1999. The value of production totaled \$2.6 million, up 22 percent from the \$2.2 million the previous year. The gross income, including home consumption, totaled \$2.8 million, up 15 percent from the \$2.4 million in 1999. Sheep shorn in 2000 totaled 29,000 head, down 4,000 head from 1999. The average fleece weight was 5.9 pounds, giving a production of 172,000 pounds. The average price per pound was 23 cents, down 1 cent from the previous year. Value of production totaled \$40,000, down 13 percent from the 1999 value of \$46,000.

HOGS AND PIGS

Hog and pig inventory as of December 1, 2000, totaled a record low of 10,000 head, down 2,000 head from 1999. The inventory value was estimated at \$780,000, down 12 percent from the value for 1999. The pig crop totaled a record low of 13,100 head, down 18 percent from the 1999 total. Pork production for 1999 was 3.4 million pounds, a decrease of 19 percent from the 1999 production. Marketings totaled 3.0 million pounds, down 27 percent from the 1999 marketings. The average price per hundredweight was \$38.00, up from the 1999 price of \$30.20. The value of production was \$1.3 million, unchanged from the value of production last year. The gross income from hog production, including home consumption, totaled \$1.4 million, a decrease of 7 percent from the 1999 value of \$1.5 million.